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SUBJECT:HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION-TURKISH OBJECTION TO  
GENOCIDE REPORT

REF: USUN 738

1. WHILE WE HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF REFERENCE TO GENOCIDE  
AGAINST ARMENIANS WHICH APPEARS IN PROGRESS REPORT OF HRC  
SUB-COMMISSION (REFTEL), WE BELIEVE THAT THE US SHOULD TRY TO  
BEND ITS POSITION A LITTLE MORE TO THE TURKISH SIDE THAN HAS SO  
FAR BEEN PROPOSED. ONE MAJOR REASON IS THE FACT THAT MEMORIES IN  
TURKEY ARE STILL FRESH OVER THE 1973 MURDERS OF THE TURKISH  
CONSUL GENERAL AND THE TURKISH CONSUL IN LOS ANGELES BY AN  
AMERICAN OF ARMENIAN ORIGIN. ANOTHER REASON IS THAT  
THE TURKS ARE APPREHENSIVE THAT THIS YEAR'S COMMEMORATION  
OF THE ARMENIAN MASSACRES BY ARMENIAN COMMUNITIES  
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THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WILL BE ON A MORE IMPRESSIVE SCALE

THAN IN LAST FEW YEARS.

2. IN ADDITION, AT A TIME WHEN WE ARE TRYING TO PERSUADE  
THE TURKS TO EXHIBIT SOME APPRECIATION OF OUR POSITION  
ON THE OPIUM ISSUE, WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO SHOW SOME  
UNDERSTANDING FOR A POSITION ON WHICH TURKISH EMOTIONS HAVE  
CHARACTERISTICALLY RUN HIGH.

3. IN LISTING THESE FACTORS, WE DO NOT WISH TO COMPROMISE  
THE USG POSITION ON WIDER ISSUES OF GENOCIDE.  
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